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FOR AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652:N/A

TAGS:SOPN, OVIP (HEARST, WILLIAM RANDOLPH JR.)

SUBJECT:HEARST VISIT TO NAIROBI

1. WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST JR., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF THE
HEARST NEWSPAPERS, WILL VISIT KENYA IN FEBRUARY, AND
REQUESTS BRIEF BACKGROUND SESSION WITH AMBASSADOR ON
2/10 OR 2/11.

2. HEARST ALSO HOPES TO MEET WITH MINISTER OF FINANCE.
EMBASSY REQUESTED TO TAKE PRELIMINARY SOUNDING OF GOK
ON POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A MEETING. FINAL CONFIRMATION
SHOULD BE ARRANGED WITH HEARST PARTY.

3. POST REQUESTED TO EXTEND USUAL COURTESIES TO HEARST
PARTY.

4. TEXT OF LETTER TO AMBASSADOR LEMELLE FROM JOSEPH
KINGSBURY-SMITH, HEARST NATIONAL EDITOR AND VICE-PRESIDENT,
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FOLLOWS. ORIGINAL, DATED JAN. 24, BEING POUCHED.
BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR MR. AMBASSADOR:

I AM TAKING THE LIBERTY OF WRITING TO YOU TO EXPRESS THE
HOPE THAT MR. WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST, JR., EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

OF THE HEARST NEWSPAPERS, AND I MIGHT HAVE THE PRIVILEGE
OF A BRIEF BACKGROUND CHAT WITH YOU DURING OUR FORTHCOMING
VISIT TO KENYA.

WE WILL ARRIVE IN NAIROBI FROM LONDON EARLY IN THE MORNING
OF FEBRUARY 10TH AND WILL BE AT THE NEW STANLEY HOTEL
UNTIL THE 12TH, WHEN WE WILL BE PROCEEDING, WITH MR.
HEARST'S WIFE, SON AND A FRIEND, TO THE MOUNT KENYA
SAFARI CLUB. OUR SCHEDULE CALLS FOR US TO RETURN TO
NAIROBI ON THE 21ST AND LEAVE KENYA ON THE 22ND.

IF YOUR SCHEDULE WOULD PERMIT YOU TO RECEIVE US ON THE
AFTERNOON OF THE 10TH OR ANYTIME ON THE 11TH, WE WOULD BE
MOST GRATEFUL.

WITH THANKS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND THE HOPE THAT WE
MAY HAVE THE PLEASURE OF SEEING YOU. SINCERELY,
JOSEPH KINGSBURY-SMITH. END TEXT.
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